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IN RE APPLICATION OF

BRINKMANN ET AL.

APPLICATION NO: 10/521,297

FILED: May 17, 2005

FOR: USE OF S1P RECEPTOR AGONISTS IN HEART DISEASES

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International DivisionPETITION TO CORRECT FILING DATE/
RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION

Sir:

Applicant's recently received an official filing receipt which, inter alia, lists January 14, 2005 as the filing date, and a Notice of Acceptance of Application Under 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 CFR 1.495 ("Notice") regarding the above-identified application (copies of which are enclosed).

The Notice states that the "Date of Receipt of 35 U.S. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) Requirements" as January 14, 2005. It further lists in the section under "the following items have been received:" as the Oath or Declaration filed 1/14/2005 and the Information Disclosure Statement filed 1/14/2005. Both the Declaration and Power of Attorney and the Information Disclosure Statement were filed on May 17, 2005. Which is the "Date of Completion of all 35 U.S.C. 371 Requirements" as stated on the Notice.

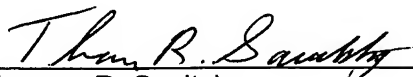
As such, Applicant's hereby petition to change the filing date to May 17, 2005, which is the correct filing date as also evidenced the hand-written date that appears on the face of the stamped, return postcard which accompanied the transmittal papers filing of the Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and the Information Disclosure Statement (a copy of which is enclosed).

In view of the foregoing, it is clear that the correct filing date of the above-identified application is May 17, 2005, and it is respectfully requested that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office correct their records to reflect this date. Moreover, since the assigning of January 14,

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Foreign Applications

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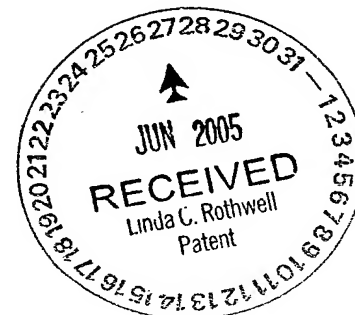
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371 ACCEPTANCE LETTER



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NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C 371 AND 37 CFR 1.495

The applicant is hereby advised that the United States Patent and Trademark Office in its capacity as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495), has determined that the above identified international application has met the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371, and is ACCEPTED for national patentability examination in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

The United States Application Number assigned to the application is shown above and the relevant dates are:

01/14/2005

DATE OF RECEIPT OF 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and
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DATE OF COMPLETION OF ALL 35 U.S.C. 371
 REQUIREMENTS

A Filing Receipt (PTO-103X) will be issued for the present application in due course. **THE DATE APPEARING ON THE FILING RECEIPT AS THE " FILING DATE" IS THE DATE ON WHICH THE LAST OF THE 35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) REQUIREMENTS HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE. THIS DATE IS SHOWN ABOVE.** The filing date of the above identified application is the international filing date of the international application (Article 11(3) and 35 U.S.C. 363). Once the Filing Receipt has been received, send all correspondence to the Group Art Unit designated thereon.

The following items have been received:

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- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 01/14/2005
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 01/14/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 01/14/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 01/14/2005
- Oath or Declaration filed on 01/14/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 01/14/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 01/14/2005
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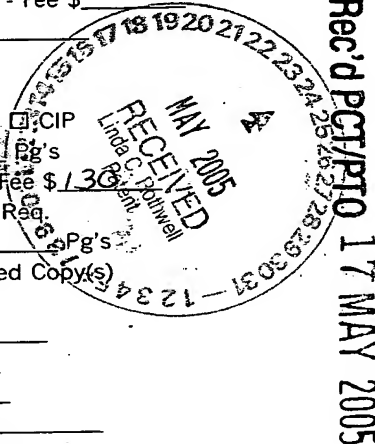
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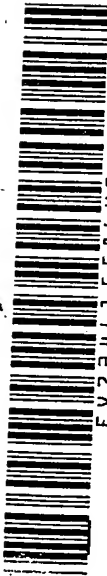
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